

HB0131/908374/1

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 131
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, in line 1, after “authorizing” insert “and requiring”; in line 17, after “year,” insert “establishing a Maryland Clean Car and Energy Policy Task Force; specifying the chair, membership, staffing, and duties of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to make legislative recommendations; requiring the Task Force to provide a certain annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly;”; in line 19, after “stakeholders” insert “, consider the implementation efforts of certain states,”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 21 down through “date;” in line 23; in line 24, after “Act;” insert “providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act;”; and in line 28, strike “2-1107” and substitute “2-1108”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, in line 7, strike “**A**” and substitute “**EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE, A**”; and in line 21, strike “**MAY**” and substitute “**SHALL**”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 6, after line 19, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Environment

2-1108.

(Over)

(A) THERE IS A MARYLAND CLEAN CAR AND ENERGY POLICY TASK FORCE.

(B) THE TASK FORCE SHALL BE COMPOSED OF:

(1) ONE MEMBER OF THE SENATE OF MARYLAND, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE TO SERVE AS A COCHAIR;

(2) ONE MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE TO SERVE AS A COCHAIR;

(3) THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, OR A DESIGNEE OF THE SECRETARY;

(4) THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT, OR A DESIGNEE OF THE SECRETARY;

(5) THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, OR A DESIGNEE OF THE SECRETARY;

(6) THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, OR A DESIGNEE OF THE SECRETARY;

(7) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MARYLAND ENERGY RESOURCE CENTER; AND

(8) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND BIOTECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE.

(C) A MEMBER OF THE TASK FORCE MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION AS A MEMBER OF THE TASK FORCE BUT IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

(D) THE TASK FORCE SHALL MEET AT THE TIMES AND PLACES THAT THE COCHAIRS DETERMINE.

(E) THE TASK FORCE SHALL:

(1) STUDY:

(I) THE ACTIVITIES OF NEIGHBORING STATES, RELATING TO VEHICLE EMISSION STANDARDS;

(II) REGULATORY ACTIONS BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY RELATED TO VEHICLE EMISSION STANDARDS; AND

(III) EMERGING ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES;

(2) REVIEW STATE ENERGY POLICIES AND CONSIDER PROPOSALS AND STRATEGIES TO DEVELOP ALTERNATIVE VEHICLE FUELS AND EFFICIENCY MEASURES THAT WOULD IMPROVE THE STATE'S AIR QUALITY;

(3) MAKE LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS; AND

(4) PREPARE A REPORT SUMMARIZING THE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TASK FORCE.

(F) THE TASK FORCE SHALL SUBMIT THE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TASK FORCE TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31 OF EACH YEAR.

(G) THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT SHALL PROVIDE STAFF TO THE TASK FORCE.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 10, in line 12, strike “and”; in line 13, after “(b)” insert “Consider the implementation efforts of each state bordering the State that have adopted the California Low Emissions Vehicle Program; and

(c)”;

and strike in their entirety lines 17 through 25, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 9, in line 12, strike “2.” and substitute “4.”.

On page 10, in line 3, strike “3.” and substitute “5.”; in line 7, strike “4.” and substitute “6.”; in line 14, strike “5.” and substitute “7.”; in line 26, strike “7.” and substitute “8.”; in the same line, strike “2” and substitute “4”; and in line 29, strike “1” and substitute “3”.

On page 11, in line 1, strike “1” and substitute “3”; in line 3, strike “8.” and substitute “9.”; and in line 4, strike “7” and substitute “8”.

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 11, in line 4, after "2007." insert "Section 2 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and 7 months and, at the end of December 31, 2010, with no further action required by the General Assembly, Section 2 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.".